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In re Application of: Thomas R. Birchard Serial No. 09/718,004

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING GLASS COILED TUBE) Group Art Unit: 1731

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REQUEST FOR SUSPENSION OF ACTION

Dear Sir:

Applicant herby requests that action by Patent and Trademark Office be suspended on the above identified application for a period of three months.

The reason for this request is that counsel has been unable to locate the applicant so as to finalize drawings and complete the payment of issue fees.

A check to cover the required fee (37 CFR 1.17(i) is enclosed. Accordingly, it is respectfully request that this request for suspension fo action be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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